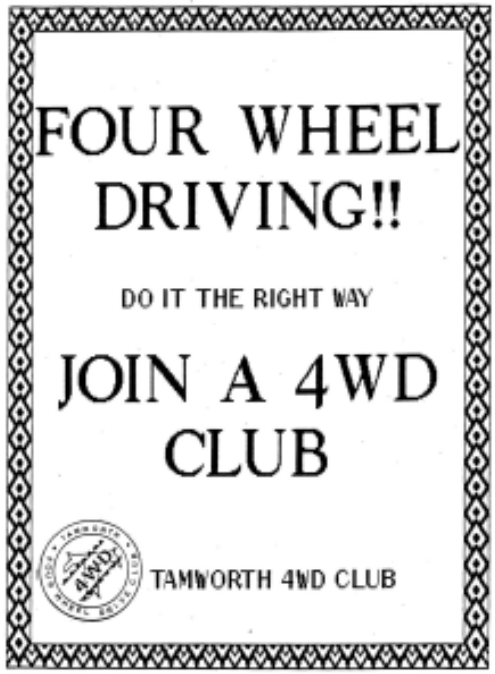
Tamworth 4WD Club Newsletter - NoVeMbEr 2020

Club Meetings - 2nd Tuesday each month. 6:30pm at ANZAC PARK, Tamworth. (Keep driving around the block until you find all the 4wd's)

Next meeting : Tue 8 Dec 2020. 6:30pm.



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Tamworth 4wd Club

When you are bored just think about a few things that don't make sense .....like ;

1. If poison expires, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?

2. Which letter is silent in the word "Scent," the S or the C?

3. Do twins ever realize that one of them is unplanned?

4. Why is the letter W, in English, called double U? Shouldn't it be called double V?

5. Maybe oxygen is slowly killing you and It just takes 75-100 years to fully work.

6. Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty.

7. The word "swims" upside-down is still "swims"

8. 100 years ago everyone owned a horse and only the rich had cars. Today everyone has cars and only the rich own horses.

9. If you replace "W" with "T" in "What, Where and When", you get the answer to each of them

Four great confusions still unresolved:

1. At a movie theatre, which arm rest is your's ?

2. If people evolved from monkeys, why are monkeys still around ?

3. Why is there a 'D' in fridge, but not in refrigerator ?

4. Who knew what time it was when the first clock was made ?

Editors Blurb

G'day everyone. Welp! Christmas in July in October is done and dusted. What a great weekend of sitting back and relaxing with awesome company around the fire. Congrats to Dave & Karma for best Halloween campsite, and to Paul & Mel for best Halloween costume dressup.

Also a huge congrats to everyone that won in the raffles, and a shoutout to Katrina and Ricky who won the major prize (Jeep firepit donated by Woodleys) and donated it back to the club.

In other news we have four great trips lined up, ready to rock. The next club meeting will be in ANZAC park with a BBQ to boot, and the Christmas party is (hopefully) be Ten Pin Bowling. More info soon on the Facebook sites. All welcomed, and the more the merrier.

Also in further other news, the club has scored a 42" Plasma tele that will be mounted in the Clubs shelter. Great for those rainy camping days.

If there is anything that you want advertised or anything to be added, give me a shout. Catch you all at the BBQ !

/Bushy

Tamworth 4wd Club

Tamworth 4wd Club is a family orientated club. We cater for family participation in recreational four wheel driving and camping trips into bushland areas of the great natural beauty and attraction. Club trips can be one day or weekend drives into the state forests and national parks of the local area. Trips of longer duration to various parts of Australia (Simpson Desert, Fraser Island, Cape York, Victorian High Country) are planned annually and in advance. The choice of trips you take is entirely yours, from easy scenic trips to beautiful areas of near inaccessible terrain. Other clubs activities include social outings, bush camping, bush walking, fishing, driver training days, Christmas-in-July social weekend, demonstrations and inter-club activities.

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A huge shout out to all of the companies that donated towards the Clubs raffles for our annual event this year. We recognize that 2020 was, and still is, a very difficult year for everyone, and so a very gratious and highly appreciative thanks go out to all those that donated. All in presence at the raffles , and more so, those that won prizes, were delighted in what was being raffled away.
Thankyou again. (A full list will be in the next newsletter)

10 November 2020.—Meeting Minutes.

Meeting Opened at 6:32pm

Members in attendance : 9 members & 4 visitors.
Minutes of last meeting true and correct, confirmed :Dave & Katrina

Correspondence in: Email: Port Macquarie Newsletter
Correspondence out: Tamworth Oct newsletter sent to all current members.
Financials:
- Reserve Account : $4180.21
- Working account : $1496.38

Christmas in July
- Float: $150
- Raffles raised : $547.10
- Food: $300
- Westpac $26.60
- Meals cost $227.69

Business Arising NIL

General Business
- Club generator to go to Tamworth Small motors to be serviced.
  Used 20 litres of fuel over six hours. About 15 litres too much!
- All agree to reimburse food and porta loo. costs to Leanne.
- Discussion re portaloo purchase. If anyone finds one for sale.
- Club shelter roof repair at Springvale before Christmas in July 2021.
  (Originally poorly designed & built by Dave)
- Training day ("Driver Awareness Day") on same weekend as roof repair.
- Discussion re: Christmas party with members present;
  Agree to see if club can have it at ten pin bowling again.
  Possible date 12 December 2020. Katrina to investigate.
- December meeting in Anzac Park, BBQ sausage Sizzle.
  Tuesday 8 December, 2020.

Trips
- Ponder Rosa camping area, Hanging Rock. New Years Eve.
- Australia Day 2021. At "The Farm". Suggestions for best dressed camper, thong throwing competition, camp over cook up.
- Coolah Tops. Easter 2021
- Anzac weekend : Taylors Arm. "Pub with no beer", near Macksville.

Four visitors. Mark Lewis. Tanya Candy, Corey Jones, Jackson Armstrong.

Meeting closed: 7.00pm.

TRIPS

New Years Eve. Ponda Rosa at Hanging Rock.
All welcomed to join in the New Year

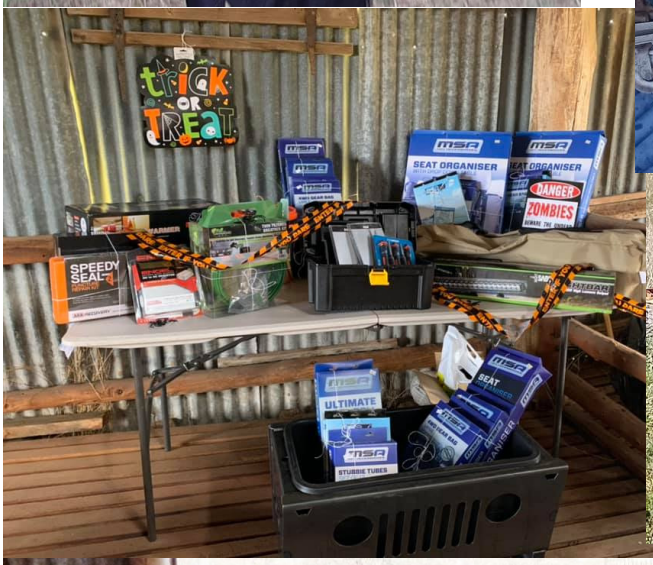
Australia Day long weekend at The Farm. ~20k up Forbes River road from off Oxley Hwy. Intersection is west of Long Flat.

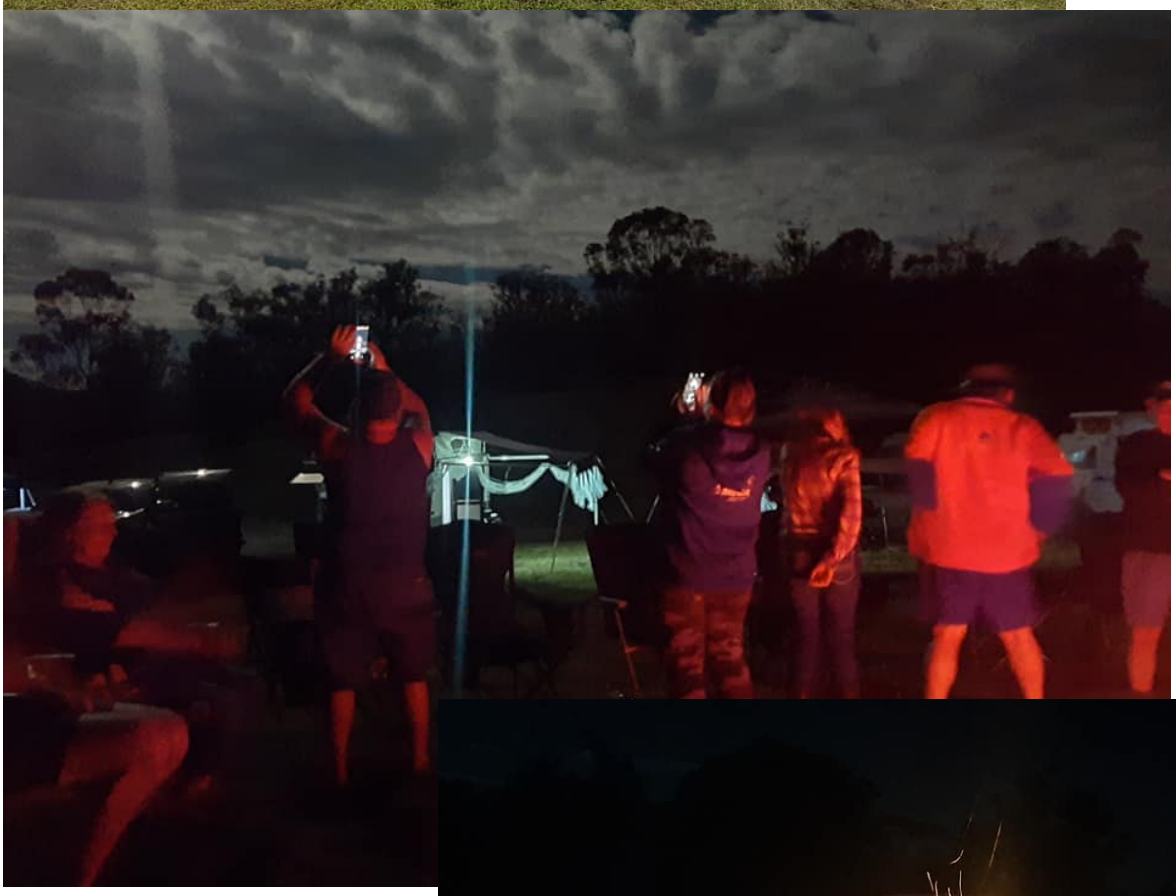
Exploring Werrikimbe National Park, fun and games, drinking and sitting in the river.

Coolah Tops—Easter 2021. Five waterfalls to explore (if it rains). Same number of camping locations. Two brilliant lookouts over looking the Liverpool Plains. Two bush huts to drive to and explore. Land of the giant grass trees.

ANZAC weekend at Pub with no Beer, at Taylors Arm.

Photos from Christmas-in-July-in-October-for-Halloween 2020





OPW

When Christmas-in-July was cancelled due to Covid-19 issues, a thought was put out by Katrina "Why don't we have it over the Halloween weekend? It will be fun!". So the date was set, and "Christmas in July in October for Halloween" planning had commenced. The fortnight out from the weekend, constant rainy days had set in, and ten days out through to the big day saw over 160mm of rain. Over six inches. We had seven and a half inches for ALL of 2019! **The** weekend before the event saw Paul, Rick, Clint and I cleaning and tidying up the grounds around the shelter, and setting up the Funkhana. The shelter was in a bit of a mess and a good tidy up was needed anyway. Our plan to have 100mm of fine creek gravel all throughout the floor of the shelter started with two ute loads shovelled all around the fire pit. **I'd slashed** a few acres in the front paddock for "Plan B" just in case too much rain did set in. On the Friday of the Halloween weekend unfortunately the area around the shelter were a few inches under water all sepping out the hill, so, Plan B it was! Everyone camping the front paddock and the shearing shed was nicely setup with spooky decorations. **Friday afternoon** saw a very hastily move of a fridge, generator, BBQs and even the kitchen sink from the shelter up to the shearing shed. A few very-light drizzly showers came and went all Friday afternoon into the night, but it didn't dampen our spirits one bit. We all sat around the little fire with Col's gazzebo covering the fire, and a few drinks were had.
Saturday morning saw a few headaches. Rick, Col and I dropped a dead tree and dragged some of it to start our record smallest ever bon-fire for a social weekend Saturday night. Lunch time appeared and the start of the great cook-up commenced with Colin as head chef with Grumpy Dave in hot pursuit with Ben giving orders and drinking nearby.
The Clubs little new jumping castle was started up and used for the first time by Lane and James whom loved it. So did Bushy who also had to have a go.
An hour before dinner was served, in traditional form, four vehicles set off over yonder for a wanna-be night drive --- head on up to the lookout for a grand view and quick drive around the place. Upon arriving back dinner was called, and a large buffet style gormet feast was set upon everyones eyes and dished up in the shearing shed. During dinner, many long worded speeches by all were given (not), and a speech of thanks to our supporters given by Katrina. Raffles were drawn, prizes were won, visitors and campers were all in a glee. Katrina and Ricky won the grand prize of the Jeep Firepit. However, unbeknownst to us, they had already previously discussed that they were going to donate it back to the club should they win it. A huge shoutout to them for winning the fireit, and giving it back to the club. It will sit under cover and out of the weather until our next event where we can initiate its use. **The little** bonfire fire was cranked somewhat and all 22-ish people sat around the fire for hours into the night. **Sunday** morning saw some late risers with even more headaches. Washing up and things were cleaned and packed. All campers started to packing up and everyone had left by lunchtime.

Thankyou to everyone who helped in any small way into making this event happen.
Big thankyou to all of the companies who donated prizes for our little club raffles. It certainly would not have been possible, or would have have been done at all, without your fantastic support.

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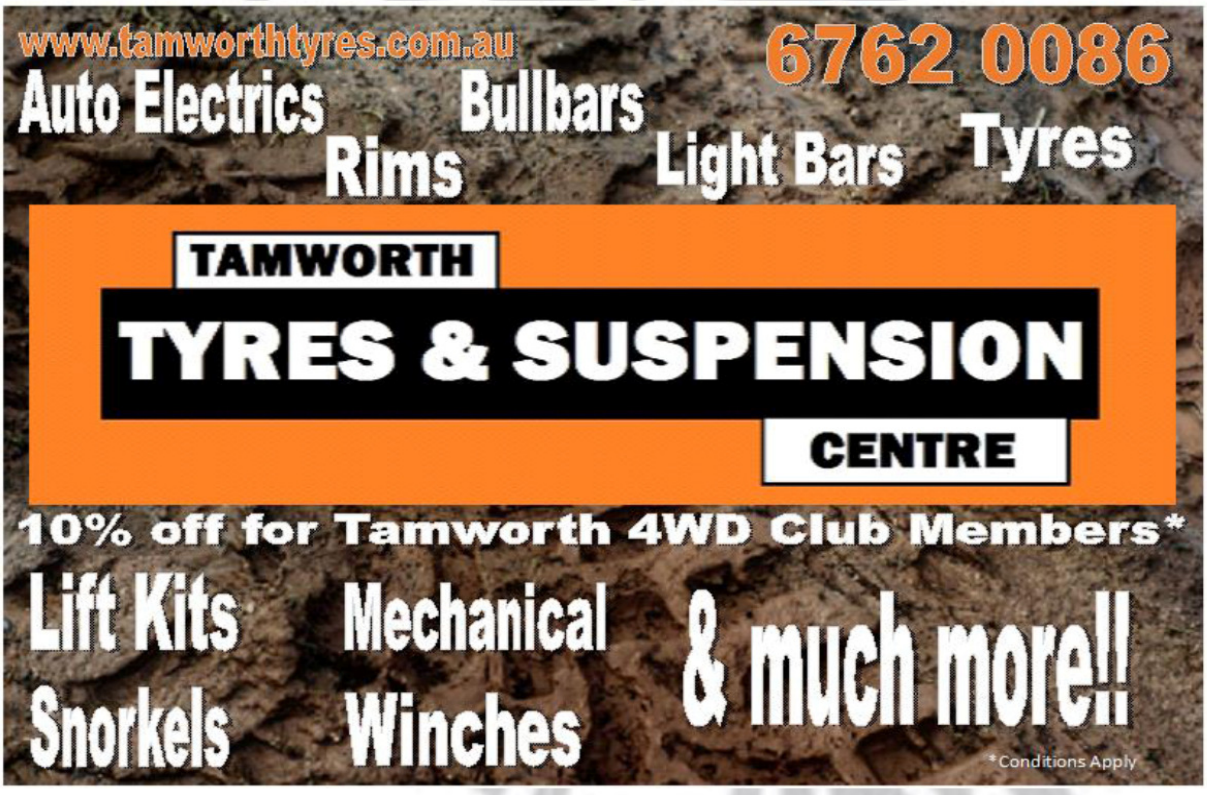

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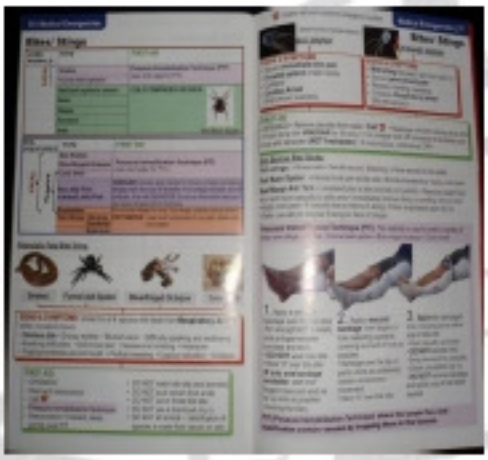
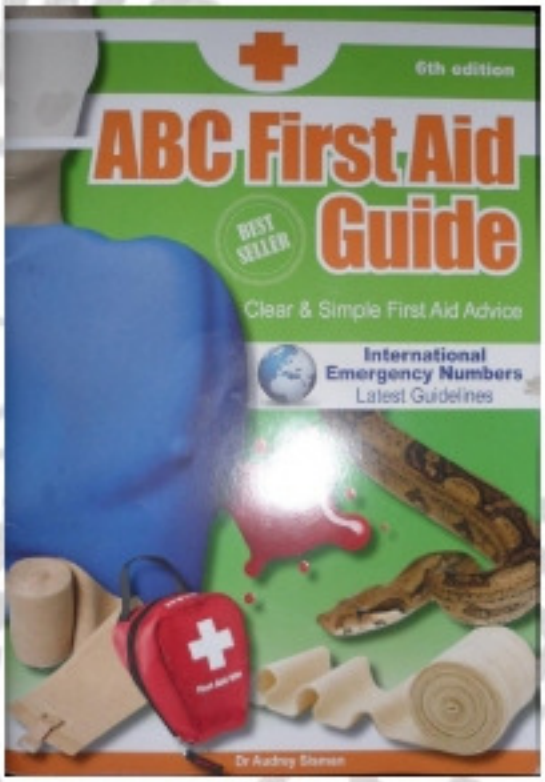
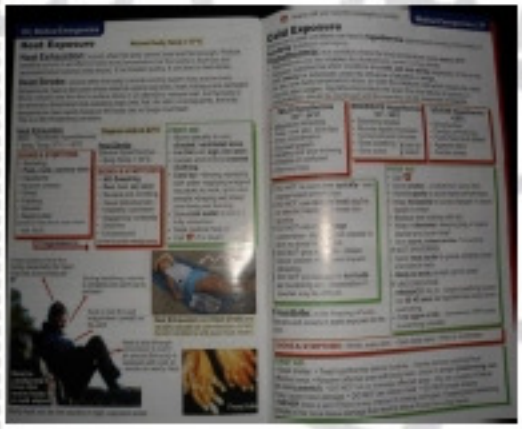
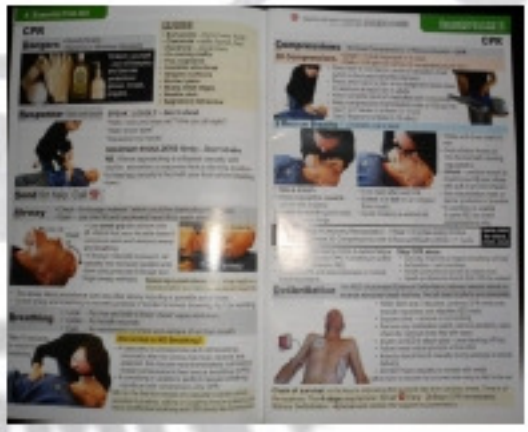








HISTORY OF THE TAMWORTH 4WD CLUB

Tamworth Recreational 4WD Club was formed in 1976 by local Four Wheel Drive owners. It is a family orientated club and caters for family participation in recreational four wheel drive touring and camping trips into bushland areas of the great natural beauty and attraction.Club trips can be one day or weekend drives into the state forests and national parks of the local area. Trips of longer duration to various parts of Australia (eg Simpson Desert, Fraser Island, Cape York, Kakadu just for ideas) are planned annually and in advanced. The choice of trip you take is entirely yours, from easy scenic trips to beautiful areas of near inaccessible terrain.Other clubs activities include social outings, bush camping, bush walking, fishing, driver training days, Xmas in July, demonstrations and inter club activities.

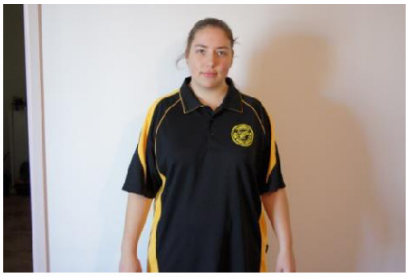
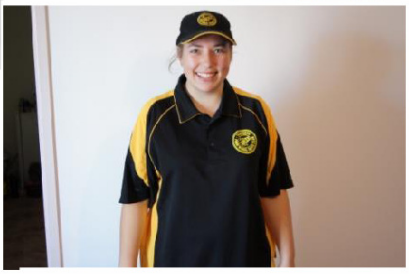
THE CLUB'S OBJECTIVES

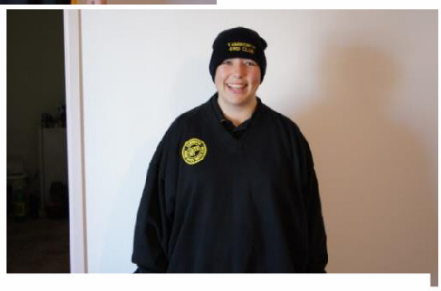
- To promote safety, friendship and courtesy, both ON and OFF the road, through training, community activities, club and family touring and camping activities
- To promote and encourage family social activities and organise club tours
- To conduct meetings and classes whereby members may obtain knowledge enabling them to become proficient in handling, navigation, care and maintenance of their vehicle
- And in particular to encourage and foster the activity of recreational four wheel driving and endeavor to establish same in the eyes of various Government Departments etc (in particular the National Parks and Wildlife Service, State Forest of N.S.W) as a recognised and responsible family past time.
- To actively encourage the conservation of Australia's natural environment

Trip Leader Responsibilities

- The trip leader is responsible for ensuring that the trip is conducted in a safe and responsible manner.
- All members who reserve a place in your trip should be recorded, their phone number and an emergency contact number taken. This will allow you to advise them if the conditions change or to contact Family in the event of n emergency.
- A reconnaissance trip and good maps and/or knowledge of the area are required to conduct a safe trip.
- Any permission for access needs to be obtained beforehand.
- It is your responsibility to decide if the weather conditions have altered the trip grading, as you may need to advise the participants before the trip.
- At the start point, introduce yourself, check-in all participants, collect the donation for Westpac Helicopter, check the correct equipment if necessary, and explain the nature details of the trip to all. Assign a main backup UHF channel at this point.
- Ask two older members to act as control vehicles. A “Rear Marker” and “Centre Marker” are usually best to help guide the convoy safely.
- Proceed at a legal pace that suits all participants, and keep in touch with your designated control vehicles to judge the convoy’s progress.
- It is your responsibility to assess the track conditions, and guide the group throughout the trip to ensure a safe and enjoyable outing.
- At the conclusion of the trip, check-off all participants and retrieve any loan equipment if necessary.
- Take donation money to next meeting and hand to treasurer.

Club Merchandise



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- $30 - Jumpers
- $40 - Hoodies
- $15 - Caps
- $15 Beanies

Kids

- $22 - Polo Shirts
- $17 - T-Shirts
- $30 - Jumpers
- $35 - Hoodies

If anyone is interested in ordering merchandise please contact Treasurer – Leanne Middleton

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Account Number: 895405

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All members will need to complete a membership form when paying their annual membership fees.

This helps to keep records updated on current members and for insurance purposes.

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If the conduct of any member shall, in the opinion of the Committee, be contrary to the welfare or interest of the Club, the member may be called upon to justify and explain such conduct to a special meeting of the Committee and, if after consideration at such meeting, a majority present is of the opinion that the conduct of such member is as charged, the Committee may caution, suspend or expel such member. Any decision shall be conveyed to the member in writing by the Secretary. If the member so cautioned, suspended or expelled by the Committee wishes they may appeal in writing to the Club and request a Special General Meeting of the Club to discuss such appeal. The Special General Meeting so called my reverse of alter the Committee's decision on a two thirds majority of the members resent at such meeting. Such decision of the Special General Meeting of the Club shall be final.

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